

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

VOTO LATINO, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALAN HIRSCH, in his official capacity as
Chair of the State Board of Elections, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:23-cv-861-TDS-JEP

JOINT STATUS UPDATE

Plaintiffs Voto Latino, the Watauga County Voting Rights Task Force, Down Home North Carolina, and Sophie Jae Mead, by and through their undersigned counsel, join with the State Board Defendants (Karen Brinson Bell, Alan Hirsch, Jeff Carmon, Stacy Eggers IV, Kevin Lewis, and Siobhan O’Duffy Millen); the Watauga County Board Defendants (Michael Behrent, Eric Eller, Matt Walpole, Leta Councill, and Elaine Rothenberg); the Legislative Intervenors (Philip E. Berger and Destin Hall); and the RNC Intervenors (Republican National Committee, North Carolina Republican Party, Virginia A. Wasserberg, and Brenda M. Eldridge), collectively (the “Parties”) to provide an update on the status of this matter.

The Parties are presently conferring in good faith to reach an agreement to resolve this matter. The Parties are close to reaching an agreement and will provide a further status update no later than April 4, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have electronically filed the foregoing Joint Status Update with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will notify all counsel of record electronically.

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